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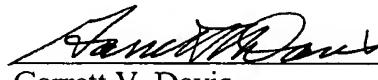
Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the patents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in the subject application.

The subject application was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office after June 30, 2003. Accordingly, pursuant to the waiver of the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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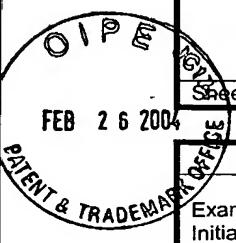
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